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within this province, was reported on April 12. This case was isolated in the civil hospital of this city for five days, awaiting orders, and has since been transferred to the San Lazaro Hospital in Habana.

No other contagious or infectious disease has been reported during the past week.

The mortuary statistics of Matanzas for the second ten days of the present month will be forwarded with my next report.

Report from Santiago.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, April 19, as follows:

During the week ended April 16, 1904, bills of health were issued to 4 vessels bound for the United States and Porto Rico.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.

Mortuary report for the week ended April 16, 1904.

Causes of death.	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Pernicious fever	3	4
Tubercle of lungs	1	27
Cerebral hemorrhage	1	64
Organic heart disease	1	79
Enteritis, chronic	1	105a
Appendicitis	1	118
Hydrocephalus	1	150
Congenital debility	1	151
Undefined or unspecified	1	179
Total	11

Estimated population, 45,500.

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Reports from Guayaquil—Inspection of vessels—Yellow fever—Quarantine against Peruvian ports.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports, March 28 and 31, as follows: Week ended March 26, 1904.

Present officially estimated population, 60,000; deaths reported from yellow fever, 10; from tuberculosis, 3; from all other causes, 73.

On March 25, the steamship *Hermonthis* cleared from this port for San Francisco. There were on board 8 officers, 51 crew, 5 cabin and 9 steerage passengers in transit, and 5 steerage passengers from this port; all told, 78. Two passengers landed here.

On March 26, the steamship *Teuapael* cleared for Panama. There were on board 10 officers, 78 crew, 8 cabin and 10 steerage passengers from this port, and 5 cabin and 10 steerage in transit; all told, 134.

Quarantine declared against Peruvian ports.

The local board of health has declared a rigid nonintercourse quarantine against all Peruvian ports.

It provides, however, that any vessel from these ports bound for Panama, may stop here on the way south if it brings a bill of health from the Chilean consul there, certifying that it was fumigated in Panama.

The necessity for this nonintercourse quarantine is explained by